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# GLADIOLI

Few flowers if any, show the infinite variety in color and marking possessed by the Gladioli. For cutting I know of no other flower to compare with it. Below you will find a select list that are all well worth a trial. Our collection of Gladioli cannot be surpassed. They bloom all summer and are a delight both for the garden and indoor decoration, the flower lasting a long time when cut. **5 cents each, 50 cents per dozen except where noted.**

**SPECIAL OFFER No. 58**—The entire sixteen varieties of *Gladiolus* costing \$1.00 sent for only 75 cents. A great bargain and you cannot beat this set of *Gladiolus* no matter from whom you buy.

**AMERICA**—Large flesh-pink tinted lavender. Extra.

**AUGUSTA**—Opens delicate pink quickly changing to pure white with blue anthers.

**BARON JOSEPH HULOT**—Deep rich indigo-blue.

7c each, 75c per 12

**BRENCHLEYENSIS**—Intense vermilion-scarlet; very brilliant

7c each, 75c per 12

**CANARY BIRD**—Lemon-yellow, of good size and substance, extra fine.

10c each, \$1. per 12

**EMPRESS OF INDIA**—Rich dark red shaded dark purple.

10c each, \$1. per 12

**FAUST**—Wine-red, immense flower. 7c each, 75c per 12

**GOLDEN QUEEN**—A rich fine yellow. 7c each, 75c per 12

**HALLEY**—Delicate salmon-pink, most beautiful

**HOLLANDIA**—Yellowish-salmon, a grand flower

**HUNDERDI GLORY**—Delicate blush-white crimson stripe, petals are fringed, giving flower a ruffled appearance.

10c each, \$1. per 12

**LEHMAN**—A charming white Gladioli tinted rose, a dainty flower

7c each, 75c per 12

**MRS. FRANCIS KING**—Flame-pink, large flowers, extremely beautiful.

**PINK BEAUTY**—Deep rich glossy overlaid with shreen of glossy satin, pronounced red blotch.

**PRINCEPS**—The one Gladioli par excellence, the best for

cutting, lasting longer, rich bright scarlet with pure white blotches, very showy and striking.

WILLY WIGMAN—Creamy-white with large scarlet blotch, very distinct and beautiful. 7c each, 75c per 12

## TUBEROUS ROOTED BEGONIA

When grown outside, the Tuberous Rooted Begonias should be taken up before cold weather, spread out to dry, and be packed away in boxes of dry sand and stored through winter in some cool place, yet not where frost can reach them. Some little time before planting outside in spring they should be potted and kept inside until well started. They delight in a partially shaded location in soil composed of leaf mold, sand and well rotted manure.

SINGLE FLOWERED—Separate color, White, Pink, Scarlet Crimson, and Yellow. 10c each, 80c per 12, \$5.00 per 100.

DOUBLE FLOWERED—Varieties in separate colors, White, Pink, Scarlet, Crimson and Yellow. 20c each, \$1.75 per 12, \$10.00 per 100.

## EXCELSIOR PEARL TUBEROSES

The Finest in Existence. All Blooming Bulbs.

DWARF EXCELSIOR PEARL TUBEROSE—Year after year its popularity has increased until the demand for it has reached enormous proportions. It grows about eighteen inches high, blooms early with the greatest freedom, matures perfectly. Flowers pure white, very double and of immense size and intensely sweet. This is the sweetest of all Tuberoses. Fine extra large well-ripened bulbs all sure to bloom, 5 cents, three for 10 cents, twelve for 35 cents.

## CALADIUM ESCULENTUM

“ELEPHANT’S EAR”—Very effective, and suitable for either a single plant on the lawn, masses in beds or margins of water, its very distinct leaves often attain a length of three feet by twenty inches wide, and have a rich, tropical effect. Price, for nice bulbs of Caladium, 10 cents each, three for 25 cents, \$1.00 per dozen, large bulbs, 25 cents each, \$2.50 per dozen.



# CANNAS

Of all the summer bedding plants, Cannas are the tallest and bulkiest and furnish the widest range of colors. Their foliage is of noble proportions making a full and compact mass which serves to conceal the ground or back ground and is itself attractive in rich shades of green, bronze, red and chocolate. They require lots of water. Below you will find a complete list giving their various heights so you can arrange your bed accordingly.

All cannas 10 cents each, \$1.00 per dozen.

## Bronze Foliage Cannas

DAVID HARUM—Bright vermilion-scarlet, mottled with deep red and crinkly edge petals. 3 1-2 feet.

EGANDALE—A favorite bronze-leaved sort with soft currant-red flowers, fine. 3 1-2 feet.

KING HUMBERT—The best of all Cannas. In this grand Canna we have a combination of the highest type flower with the finest bronze foliage. It has flowers as large as the Orchid-flowering Cannas. Six inches across, in trusses of gigantic size, of a brilliant orange-scarlet with bright red markings. The foliage is broad and massive, of a rich coppery-bronze, bold and effective. "King Humbert" is the one ideal Canna. 4 1-2 feet.

PRESIDENT MEYER—A glorious Canna with large flowers in immense trusses. Color rich cherry-carmine. 4 feet.

## Green Foliage Cannas

FLORENCE VAUGHAN—Rich golden-yellow, thickly peppered with bright red spots. 3 1-2 feet.

GLADIATOR—A very showy bedding Canna, with large flowers of brassy-yellow, speckled in bright red. The long center petal and the lower petal are a solid dark red, making a most striking contrast to the predominating yellow. 3 1-2 feet.

INDIANA—Glistening golden-orange, by flecks of old gold and daintily flecked and penciled with deep rose. Single blossoms often seven inches across. 5 1-2 feet.

LOUISIANA—Flowers like beautiful Orchids, size often





more than seven inches across and every inch a vivid scarlet. 5 feet.

PENNSYLVANIA—Intense vermilion-scarlet or pure red. The flowers are immense often seven inches across. 5 1-2 ft.

## DAHLIAS

No garden is complete without a show of these brilliant and stately Autumn flowers and nothing gives so great a return for so little money and care. The following list is a few of the choicest varieties that we have tried and found worthy of a space in anyones garden.

### Giant Dahlias

Here are four of the largest Dahlias known to-day, the bloom often measure 9 inches across.

CUBAN GIANT—Color dark glowing crimson, shaded maroon, of immense size, 6 to 7 inches in diameter, full round form, and free bloomer. This variety is truly a gaint in both flower and plant. Roots, 25 cents each.

DREER'S WHITE—One of the best for exhibition purposes. A free-flowering variety, very large, pure white without a shade or blemish, resembling in form the Grand Duke Alexis. Roots, 25 cents each.

MRS. ROOSEVELT—Delicate shade of soft pink, flowers are double and very large, measuring 6 to 8 inches across. Roots, 25 cents each.

SOUV. DE GUSTAVE DOAZON—The largest decorative Dahlia today, possessing grace, beauty and elegance. Beautiful red. The flowers frequently measure 8 inches in diameter and are borne in profusion on long stiff stems. Roots, 25 cents each.

### General List of Dahlias

15 cents each, \$1.25 per 10 your selecniion.

\$1.00 per twelve our selection

### Cactus Dahlias

COUNTESS OF LONSDALE—A beautiful blending of salmon pink and amber, perfect form, the most profuse and earliest blooming Cactus Dahlia.

FLORADORA—Dark velvet crimson, branching habit and profuse bloomer.

**H. F. ROBERTSON**—Pure deep yellow more intense in color than any other cactus variety.

**KRIEMHILDE**—Fresh delicate pink, shaded to white in the center, very profuse bloomer, the most beautiful of the Cactus Dahlias.

**WINSOME**—An exquisite creamy white, of large size and finely twisted.

### **Show or Fancy Dahlias**

**STORM KING (Blizzard)**—Produces large perfect-shaped flowers on fine stems. By many said to be the finest of all white Show Dahlias. It often goes under the name of Blizzard from the fact that when in full bloom it resembles a bank of snow.

**QUEEN VICTORIA**—Pure canary-yellow. One of the freest bloomers. Good for cutting.

**A. D. LIVONI**—Beautiful soft pink with quilled petals. The standard pink for cutting.

**RED HUSSAR**—Pure cardinal-red, fine.

### **Decorative Dahlias**

**CLIFFORD W. BRUTON**—Immense size, color a clear, rich canary-yellow. Fine for cutting. Should be in every collection.

**JACK ROSE (New)**—A magnificent flower with perfect form. Color rich crimson-red with maroon shadings. Named for its counterpart among roses. The famous "General Jack".

**NYMPHEA**—Clear Shrimp-pink, lightening toward the center. Very delicate and often called the Water Lily Dahlia because of its resemblance to that flower.

**PERLE LA TETE D'OR**—Pure white, large, and exceedingly free blooming. Petals are split at tip, giving the flower a unique appearance. Very desirable.

### **Pompon Dahlias**

**LITTLE HERMAN**—Deep red, tipped white, variable.

**SNOW CLAD**—Early pure white. Extra free flowering. A most charming variety.

**LITTLE BEAUTY**—Miniature Livonias, little round, fully quilled balls of pure pink.